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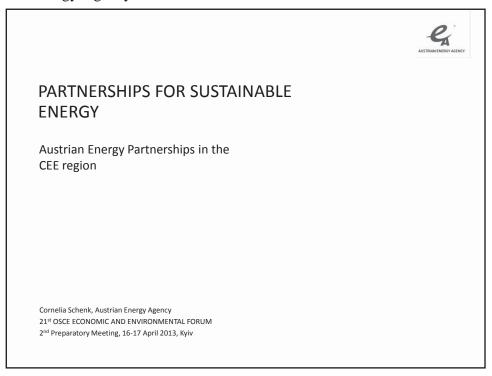
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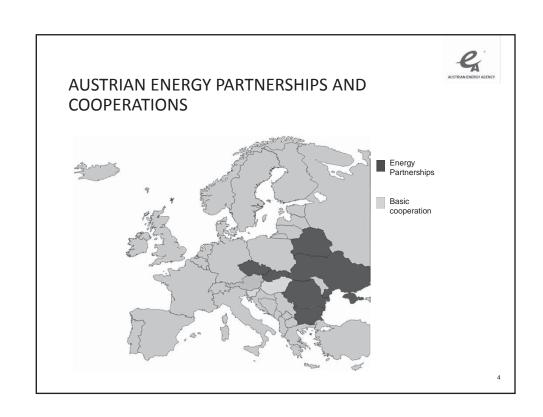






AUSTRIAN ENERGY PARTNERSHIPS

- Introduced by the Austrian Federal Government in the early 1990s
- Managed by the Austrian Energy Agency on behalf of the Austrian Ministry of Agriculture, Environment, Forestry and Water Management
- Based on political agreements (e.g. MoU)
- Main cooperation partners: National energy (efficiency) agencies
- Aimed at long-term bilateral cooperation
 - Environmentally and socially friendly as well as cost-effective energy supply solutions
 - Optimal regulatory framework conditions

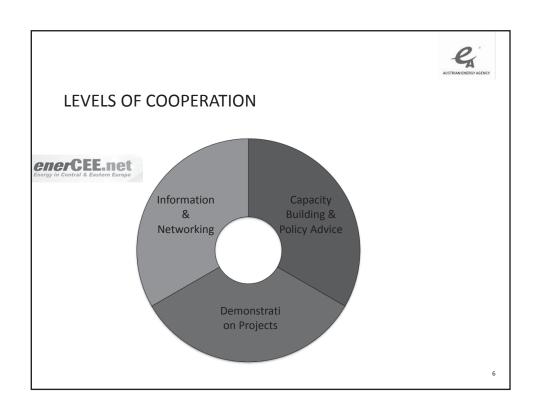




THEMATIC FOCUS

- Sustainable, ecologically compatible and energy efficient energy supply systems
- Use of renewable energy sources
- Efficient electricity generation technologies
- Demand side measures for energy efficiency

Emphasis of Energy Partnerships determined by both cooperation partners





CHALLENGES & EXPERIENCES IN FOSTERING COOPERATION WITH RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

- Challenges
 - Political changes induce changes in cooperation
 - Provision of reliable and comprehensive regulatory framework conditions
- Successful instrument of bilateral cooperation fostering the use of renewable energy sources and energy efficiency measures
 - Beneficial contribution to energy supply security and reduced import dependency
- Platform for the exchange of experiences and the identification of concrete (investment) projects

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ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT OF IOSC

- Better coordinated and well structured capacity building measures
- Enhanced regional cooperation
 - Development and strengthening of regulatory framework conditions
 - Mechanisms for market diffusion
 - Dialogue and experience exchange processe



THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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